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(SBU) Poloff delivered reftel demarche to Deputy European Correspondent Victoria Ortega Gutierrez on July 31. Ortega stated that Spain supports the EU compromise position that Burma is a member of ASEAN and is entitled to attend the ASEM summit at the Finn's invitation. Ortega noted the many EU nations, Spain included, view the summit as an opportunity to raise human rights concerns with Burma.

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